Patent and Trademark Office; U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

COMPLETE IF KNOWN Substitute for form 1449A/PTO Application Number 10/288.095 7299 Confirmation Number INFORMATION DISCLOSURE November 5, 2002 Filing Date STATEMENT BY APPLICANT First Named Inventor Fred Naval Desai (use as many sheets as necessary) 3761 Group Art Unit Examiner Name Attorney Docket Number 8768M

SHEET 1 of 2

T)

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS	Cite No.1	DOCUMENT NUMBER Number - Kind Code ³ (If known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevan Figures Appear	
OF	1	US-2,413,970	01/07/1947	HAWLEY, JR.		
4	2	US-3,687,754	08/29/1972	STUMPF		
	3	US-3,708,361	01/02/1973	STUMPF		
	4	US-3,816,228	06/11/1974	STUMPF	. 🗸	
T	5	US-4,618,384	10/21/1986	SABEE		
	6	US-4,705,584	11/10/1987	LAUCHENAUER		
	7	US-4,834,741	05/30/1989	SABEE		
123	8	US-4,968,313	11/06/1990	SABEE	V	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS*	Cite No.1	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT				Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant	
		Country Code ^a Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁸ (If known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Τ ^α
DE.	9	EP 0 472 942	B1	09/20/1995	ZELAZOSKI ET AL.	\	<u> </u>
/OX	10	EP 0 745 433	B1	06/27/2001	HAGEMEISTER ET AL.		
S #	11	WO 96/38114	A1	12/05/1996	HAGEMEISTER ET AL.	\\ :	7
Talas	12	WO 00/07532	A1	02/17/2000	LENDER ET AL.		
(d)	13	WO 00/07533	A1	02/17/2000	LENDER ET AL.		
Ala	14	WO 01/00053	A1	01/04/2001	BRUNNER		
E	15	WO 01/00915	A1	01/04/2001	MORMAN ET AL.	Y _	
	16	WO 01/15645	A1	03/08/2001	TANZER ET AL.		
CLE	17	WO 01/87212	A1	11/22/2001	OLSON ET AL.		
5XY	18	WO 01/87213	A1	11/22/2001	BOGGS ET AL.		
788	19	WQ 01/87214	A1	11/22/2001	MAY ET AL.		
X78	20	WO 01/87588	A2	11/22/2001	MAY ET AL.		
N/A	21	WO 02/053003	A2	07/11/2002	BAER ET AL.	1	

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published EXAMINER Cita

INMALS. DATE CONSIDERED **EXAMINER**

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609. Draw line through citation if not inconformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kind Codes of U.S. Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). *For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. *Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. *Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents. Washington, D.C. 20231.

Approved for use through 10/31/2002 OMB 0651-0031

Patent and Trademark Office; U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO COMPLETE IF KNOWN **Application Number** 10/288.095 Confirmation Number 7299 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Filing Date November 5, 2002 STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (use as many sheets as necessary) First Named Inventor Fred Naval Desai Group Art Unit 3761 **Examiner Name** Attorney Docket Number 8768M

SHEET 2 of 2

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIALS	No.'	DOCUMENT NUMBER Number - Kind Code ² (If known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant Passages or Relevan Figures Appear	
48	22	US-5,055,103	10/08/1991	NOMURA ET AL.		
K	23	US-5,156,793	10/20/1992	BUELL ET AL.		
Ψ-	24	US-5,232,777	08/03/1993	SIPINEN ET AL.		
	25	US-5,356,683	10/18/1994	EGOLF ET AL.		
	26	US-5,431,644	07/11/1995	SIPINEN ET AL.		
	27	US-5,440,764	08/15/1995	MATSUSHITA		
	28	US-5,487,780	01/30/1996	RITTER		
	29	US-5,681,302	10/28/1997	MELBYE ET AL.		
	30	US-5,749,865	05/12/1998	YAMAMOTO ET AL.		
	31	US-5,843,057	12/01/1998	MCCORMACK		
	32	US-5,863,330	01/26/1999	LE RICHE ET AL.	\ /	
	33	US-5,885,722	03/23/1999	RITTER	/	
	34	US-5,910,224	06/08/1999	MORMAN	X	
	35	US-5,964,973	10/12/1999	HEATH ET AL.		
	36	US-6,069,097	05/30/2000	SUZUKI ET AL.		
	37	US-6,139,675	10/31/2000	DRUECKE ET AL.		
	38	US-6,193,701 B1	02/27/2001	VAN GOMPEL ET AL.		
	39	US-6,245,050 B1	06/12/2001	ODORZYNSKI ET AL.		
	40	US-6,313,372 B1	11/06/2001	SUZUKI		
	41	US-6,323,389 B1	11/27/2001	THOMAS ET AL.		
X/S	42	US-Re. 35,687	12/09/1997	IGAUE ET AL.		

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT		CUMENT			Pages, Columns, Lines Where Relevant		
EXAMINER INITIALS*	Cite No.	Country Code ³ Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁸ (If known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T
							<u>.</u>

OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, EXAMINER Cite serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), data, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published VITTALS* DATE CONSIDERED EXAMINER

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kind Codes of U.S. Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.